GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

HIGHER EDUCATION – Vigilance Cell - Allegations of Corruption against (1) Sri P.T.Prabhakar, Joint Director, Technical Education, Hyderabad O/o Commissioner of Technical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (2) Dr.K.Raghunath, Camp Officer, EAMCET and (3) Sri V.Jagan Mohan, Senior Assistant - Further action dropped – Exonerated from the allegations – Orders – Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (VC.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt. No.589,

<u>Dated 28 -06-2008.</u> <u>Read:-</u>

Letter Rc.No.DTE/P/059/2007, of the Director of Technical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

<u>Order</u>

A regular enquiry was conducted on a purported petition from Sri P.Vijayanand, President of Polytechnic Weaker Sections Employees` Association, Tirupathi dt.16.9.2005 against Sri P.T.Prabhakar, Joint Director, Technical Education. In the final report, leveling the allegation ie., misappropriated lakhs of rupees in EAMCET counseling staff remuneration by making false statements for the expenditure incurred, without any audit or inspection of accounts is partly substantiated and the Government was requested to initiate departmental action against the following officers under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S.(CC & A) Rules, 1991.

- 1. Sri P.T.Prabhakar, Joint Director, O/o DTE, AP Hyderabad.
- 2. Dr.K.Raghunath, Camp Officer, EAMCET Camp Office.
- 3. Sri V.Jagan Mohan, Senior Assistant, EAMCET Camp Office.
- The Director of Technical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, who was consulted in the matter, has informed that the enquiry authority has not substantiated any charges of misappropriation or mis-utilisation of the funds available at their disposal. In absence of the specific guidelines, Accused Officers have still tried to maintain the Books of Accounts as perceived by them and taken to the notice of the Admission committee of the A.P. State Council for Higher Education from time to time. He has further informed that A.P. State Council for Higher Education has made efforts for getting expenditure audited through Local Fund Audit but due to the non availability of Audit Party in time, they have prescribed to conduct audit through Charted Accountant followed by regular Local fund Audit. Over all, there are no major procedural irregularities as mentioned in the enquiry report because the counseling process is a task oriented short term process and not governed through a perpetual office and hence, the Government procedures are not directly applicable as mentioned in the charges against Accused Officer. Further, the Camp Officer, Accountant and the then Joint Director of Technical Education has taken abundant care for the year 2006-07 to maintain all the records pointed by the ACB officials. Therefore, Technical Education has concluded that it is clear that charges to be framed on all the above three officials are not substantiated as mentioned in the ACB report. Chairman, AP State Council for Higher Education, Hyderabad has also stated that the procedural lapses have all been taken care and the issue may be treated as settled.
- 3. The Government, after careful examination of matter and after going through the available material records, observed that the allegation is mainly about the procedure lapses and not maintaining proper records, which can give scope for corruption and irregularities. As per the report of Director of Technical Education & Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad the procedural lapses pointed out, have been rectified by the Convener, EAMCET in the subsequent years.

- 4. In the above circumstances, the Government have decided to drop further action against the above (3) Accused Officers. Therefore the Government hereby exonerates the Accused Officers from the charges mentioned in para 1 above by dropping further action in this case.
- 5. The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Director General , Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

P.S. to Spl.Secretary to Chief Minister.

P.S. to Hon`ble Minister (HE &TE)

P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.

P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government(HE)

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad. SF/SC.

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SECTION OFFICER